

**Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection,
Classified by Weight, weekending: Apr 07, 2001**

Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand was moderate, best where feature activity was in progress. Offerings were adequate for trade needs. Wings continued to clear well. Dark meat items were about adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Breast items ranged adequate to ample. Weights were mostly desirable.

	FOOD SERVICE/ <u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 – 5.25	5.26 & Up	---
Total (000)	32,311	21,707	43,360	97,378
Percentage	33%	22%	45%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weight</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weight</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	3,414	3.51
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	10,727	11.02
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz. - 2 lbs., 12 oz.	11,863	12.18
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	6,307	6.48
		32,311	33.19

BROILER EGGS SET/CHICKS PLACED IN 15 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chicks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%**
Feb 24	183,200	100	142,680	101	179,813	99	142,848	99	147,690	98
Mar 03	184,700	100	143,973	102	179,486	100	143,870	99	147,804	100
Mar 10	183,814	99	146,195	103	176,109	97	142,278	98	152,138	103
Mar 17	183,848	100	149,104	101	178,831	98	143,929	99	152,987	101
Mar 24	183,834	99	150,503	102	179,729	99	144,793	100	150,141	98
Mar 31	182,471	99	149,801	100	179,208	99	143,285	98	150,228	100
Apr 07	184,900	98	149,023	101	177,434	99	141,293	99	153,854	102
Apr 14	184,315	98	149,001	101	178,493	100	142,593	101	144,057	94

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)

Week of 04/23/01

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Previous Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York Grade A Ice-packed	51.96	52.04	53.94
Chicago Grade A Ice-packed	53.14	53.02	46.69
Los Angeles Grade A Ice-packed	64.69	64.79	61.39
12-City Composite Weighted Avg.	58.95	58.43	55.89
Georgia Dock FOB Final Weighted Avg.	60.68	60.72	56.13
Southern States FOB Whole Body 5 day Avg. Index	51.29	50.54	37.35

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)

Weekly Weighted Average

	<u>Northeast (Delivered) 04/20/01</u>	<u>Southern States (FOB) 04/2001</u>	<u>Georgia (FOB) 04/23/01</u>
Breast - B/S	132.40	140.20	137.00
Tenderloins	143.86	159.27	---
Breast - Line Run	66.47	71.92	71.00 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	27.67	25.16	27.00
Wings	103.40	99.35	101.50